Amendments to the Claims:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-7. (cancelled)
- 8. (currently amended) A socket apparatus, comprising:

 a socket having contacts disposed therein; and
 a lid pivotally coupled to the socket, wherein pivotal motion of the lid opens
 and closes the contacts, The apparatus of claim-1, wherein the pivotal motion causes
 actuation arms to slide along a shaft.
- 9. (original) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein the arms actuate levers that open and close pins in the socket.
 - 10. (cancelled)